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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

SEAN EKINS, ET AL.

APPLICATION NO.: 09/814,442

FILING DATE: March 22, 2001

TITLE: SINGLE POINT INTERACTION
SCREEN TO PREDICT IC₅₀

Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Response to Requirement of Election

The present Reply is in response to the Official Action of December 24, 2002 "Elections/Restrictions" whereinby all the pending claims, Nos. 1-10, were subject to a requirement of election. Applicants respond as follows.

The Requirement is solely one of election, 37 CFR 1.141(a), and not one of restriction, 37 CFR 1.142. As test species, Applicants elect category (a) "an enzyme", which, for example, may be any member enzyme of the cytochrome P450 family.

Claims 1-6 and 9-10 read on the elected species. Upon indication of allowability of subject matter of these claims, Applicants will request rejoinder of claims 7 and 8, and any non-examined subject matter of Claims 1-6 and 9-10. The Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned to discuss the application at any future point.

Respectfully submitted,

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